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ease, mild type of malarial fever. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good. The 4 deaths noted above occurring in this port, were all adults; males, 1 white and 3 colored, due, respectively, to "cardiac syncope," pulmonary phthisis, "pyelitis," and "natural causes."

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 29	Hispania .....	21	0	0	0
30	Breakwater .....	33	3	17	4

#### CANADA.

##### *Report of immigration at Quebec.*

Assistant Surgeon Billings reports, November 13, as follows:

Week ended Saturday, October 31, 1903: Number inspected, 365; number passed, 349; number detained, 16.

Week ended November 7, 1903: Number inspected, 155; number passed, 151; number detained, 4.

#### CHINA.

##### *Report from Hongkong.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon McMullen reports, October 7, as follows:

Week ended October 3, 1903: Nine vessels were inspected, with 779 officers and crew and 311 passengers (146 cabin and 165 steerage); 543 crew and 100 steerage were bathed and their baggage disinfected (568 pieces). Two vessels for Manila via Amoy were ordered to call at Mariveles for disinfection. The following communicable diseases were reported as having occurred in the colony during the week: Plague, 2 cases and 2 deaths; smallpox, 1 case and 1 death, all Chinese.

List of aliens recommended for rejection: October 3, on steamship *America Maru* for San Francisco, 1; October 10, on steamship *Victoria* for Tacoma, 1.

#### COLOMBIA.

##### *Reports from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports, November 2, as follows: Number of deaths during the week, 4.

Prevailing disease, malarial fever. The four deaths noted were due respectively to tuberculosis, 2; malarial fever, 1; suicide, 1. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 28	Lillie .....	23	0	0	0
30	Fort Morgan .....	22	3	0	4
30	Colombia .....	17	1	0	2
Nov. 1	Brighton .....	22	0	0	0

November 4, 1903: Prevailing disease, malarial fever. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

A bill of health was issued to the following-named vessel:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Nov. 4	Barnstable.....	31	2	0	3

#### CUBA.

#### *Report from Cienfuegos—monthly.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon McMahon reports, November 5, as follows:

Month of October, 1903: Bills of health issued, 13; vessels inspected, 13; vessels disinfected, 1; crews inspected, 500; passengers inspected, 184.

No quarantinable disease has been present on any of these vessels. One vessel, *Hydra*, was disinfected here on October 10, by request of the captain.

During this month there has not appeared any quarantinable disease on any incoming vessel entering this port. Strict quarantine regulations have been maintained by the Cuban officials against all infected ports.

The sanitary condition of the city is fairly good. The greatest menace to the public health is the lack of an efficient sewerage system. I made an inspection of the entire city last week, and most of the premises where the poor people live I found in a very dirty condition from accumulation in surface closets and cesspools. As has been reported before from this office, all kitchen slops and bath water are thrown into the streets.

The slaughterhouse is kept very clean, as well as the premises around it. The blood and intestinal refuse is thrown into the bay, and everything else is removed from the premises every day and the house thoroughly cleaned.

The mortuary report for the city for this month is as follows:

Tuberculosis .....	9	Intestinal inflammations .....	11
Pernicious fever .....	1	Other causes .....	29
Paludism .....	5		
Tetanus, infantile .....	3	Total for month .....	59
Meningitis .....	1		

There have been a few cases of diphtheria reported in the city during this month, but no fatal cases.

#### *Reports from Habana—Mortuary statistics—Scarlet fever.*

Assistant Surgeon Trotter reports as follows: Week ended October 31, 1903: Health certificates issued, 107; bills of health issued to inspected vessels, 18; crews of outgoing vessels inspected, 813; passengers of outgoing vessels inspected, 515; pieces of baggage inspected, 155; pieces of freight inspected, 11,361; pieces of express inspected, 37. I inclose herewith the usual weekly mortuary report of the city of Habana.